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# SENATE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

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**S-2816 HAS BEEN ADDED TO THIS AGENDA**

## NOTICE OF MEETING

**DATE:** Tuesday, March 31, 2026

**TIME:** Rise of the Senate

**PLACE:** Room 211 - State House

## SCHEDULED FOR ADVICE AND CONSENT

Appointment of Will Tsonos as Chair of the Life Science Hub of Rhode Island for a term expiring January 1, 2030.

## SCHEDULED FOR HEARING

House Bill No. [7127](#)

(Governor)

BY Abney

ENTITLED, AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE STATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2027

{LC4134/1}

01/15/2026 Introduced, referred to House Finance

### **Article 11: Relating to Affordability**

[Section 1:](#) Pharmacy Benefit Manager Transparency Reporting and Study Act

[Sections 12 and 13:](#) Health Spending Accountability and Transparency Program

- Department of Business Regulation- FY2026 Supplemental and FY2027 Budgets
- Cannabis Control Commission- FY2026 Supplemental and FY2027 Budgets

## SCHEDULED FOR HEARING AND/OR CONSIDERATION

Senate Bill No. [3128](#)

BY DiPalma

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS -- THE RHODE ISLAND CANNABIS ACT {LC6149/1} (Provides for annual appropriations to the substance use mental health leadership council to address hazardous and underage cannabis use.)

03/20/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

03/27/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**Senate Bill No. [3155](#)**

**BY Thompson, Pearson**

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION {LC6234/1} (Exempts from taxation the property of the non-profit Mount St. Rita Health Centre located in Cumberland, RI. The exemption would be effective as of December 31, 2025.)

03/27/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

03/27/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**Senate Resolution No. [2816](#)**

**BY DiPalma, Valverde, Ujifusa, Lauria, Urso**

**ENTITLED**, JOINT RESOLUTION MAKING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$118,422 TO THE RHODE ISLAND PARENT INFORMATION NETWORK (RIPIN) {LC5534/1} (Appropriates the sum of \$118,422 to the Rhode Island Parent Information Network (RIPIN).)

03/04/2026 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance

03/27/2026 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**TESTIMONY SUBMITTAL**

\*Written Testimony must be submitted prior to 3:00 PM on Tuesday, March 31, 2026, in order for it to be provided to the members of the committee at the hearing and to be included in the meeting records.

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